Phillips County Commissioner Meeting

February 28, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Chairman Joe Kinnie and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Commissioners Joe Kinnie, Jerry Beavers and Bud Biesemeier, County Administrator Randy Schafer, and County Clerk Beth Cumming.

Jerry Beavers made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2012 meeting as corrected. Bud Biesemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bud Biesemeier made a motion to approve the Subdivision Exemption for the Clayton Family LLC to sell approximately 10 acres in the SE ½ 10-7N-44W. Jerry Beavers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Linda Statz reported to the board on the decision of the Ethics Committee on the reimbursement to the state for use of a room at conference. Each County will be fined the reimbursement fee of \$99.00 to the Ethics Committee.

Jerry Beavers made a motion to transfer the 1995 Dodge pickup from Road District 3 to the Weed and Pest District in the amount of \$1,500.00. Bud Biesemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The board reviewed and approved the payroll for February 2012.

The board met with Dale Osborne and Mike Lebow from Williwaw Wind farm to discuss the pending conditional use application for the proposed wind farm and transmission line.

Gerald Roberts, Courthouse Square Contractor, met with the commissioners to discuss the Harvest Park meters. Gerald did some research on the usage on these meters and found out that the city had been over charging the county by four times the usage amount, which comes to \$8,525.00 for last year. Gerald suggests that the county use the overage as "work in progress" or "on kind" services other than asking for a refund. The board agreed. Gerald will report back to Mark Brown, City Manager, on commissioners' decision.

The board was later informed by the City Manager, Mark Brown and the City Mayor Orville Townsing, that they would reimburse the county for the over charge for utilities for the past two years.

The board adjourned at 12:15 for lunch

The board met with the local newspapers for their monthly briefing. Haxtun-Fleming Harold was not present. Randy will be sending that newspaper the briefing minutes.

The board reviewed the Recycling Resources Economic Opportunity Fund Grant Program.

Bud Biesemeier made a motion to contribute \$ 15,000 cash plus the other proposed county in kind for the Recycling Resources Economic Opportunity Fund Grant Program Application. Jerry Beavers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the following Phillip County Event Center rental agreements.

- Idalia L. Ramos
- Holyoke Community Federal Credit Union
- Francisco and Sara Rodriguez

The board signed the Annual CDOT Mileage Certification.

The board agreed to fund the maintenance of the Amherst Park out of General Fund and/or the Conservation Trust Fund.

The board reviewed the GOCO Grant for the Holyoke School District RE-1J. The board agreed to have Randy sign the Grant application before final submittal.

The United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management is celebrating the General Land Office's 200th anniversary in 2012. As a part of this celebration, we are offering to look up the land patents for a site of building of your choice in your county. The board decided to have them research the courthouse square.

Bud Biesemeier made a motion to approve the following Resolution to hold a mail ballot election on June 26, 2012. Jerry Beavers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 02-28-01

RE: AUTHORIZING THE PHILLIPS COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER TO CONDUCT THE June 26, 2012, PRIMARY ELECTION BY MAIL BALLOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH C.R.S. SECTION 1-7.5-101, ET SEQ., and THE "MAIL BALLOT ELECTION ACT".

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has found, determined and declared that mail ballot elections are cost effective and have not resulted in increased fraud; and

WHEREAS, by enactment of Article 7.5 of Title 1 of the Colorado Revised Statues, the General Assembly concluded that it is appropriate to provide for mail ballot elections under specified circumstances, and under the supervision of the Secretary of State, subject to rules promulgated by the Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Phillips County Commissioners finds it to be in the best interest of the citizens of Phillips County the Phillips County Clerk be permitted to conduct the election set for June 26, 2012 by mail ballot.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioner of Phillips County, Colorado:

- 1. That the June 26, 2012, election shall be conducted by mail ballot;
- 2. That the Phillips County Clerk and Recorder is hereby designated as the election official for said mail ballot election, pursuant to C.R.S. Section 1-7.5-104(1);
- 3. That the Phillips County Clerk and Recorder shall conduct said mail ballot election under the supervision of the Secretary of State, and according to rules promulgated by the Secretary of State, and by the provisions of Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, and C.R. S. Section 1-7.5-101, et seq.

Jean Clayton met with the board to express her concerns over the extension of county road 35

Randy reported that the State Historical Fund will allow us to seek an extension of our Grant deadline in repairing the Courthouse steps.

Bud Biesemeier made a motion to purchase a scissor lift from Woody's Pivot Services in the amount of \$5,500. Jerry Beavers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35.

Submitted by Beth Cumming, Phillips County Clerk

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Attest.

Beth Cumming, County Clerk